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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: DIAAP-9 Commitment to China Ground Force
Studies in OSR Areas of Interest

1. On 30 June 1970 []
[] met with personnel of DIAAP-9B (Departmental) and DIAAP-9D (National) to establish the extent and type of work being done on the ground forces in the Kunming MR by those shops. This was done in the hope that some of their products could be used by IAS and thus shorten our present analytical requirement in this military region. In addition, an attempt was made to determine the assets these organizations might have which could be applied against ground force analysis in other priority military regions in China.
2. The East/West/Latin American Division of DIAAP-9B, headed by [] has done several limited distribution studies covering many geographical and subject areas in China. Of late, most of their effort has been expended in analyzing armor and artillery regiments in the Peking and Nanking MRs. This division is currently awaiting DIAAP-4A1 tasking for analysis of an undetermined type and number of targets. DIAAP-9B would not be adverse to performing studies by military region and they feel that they could commit approximately six men to whatever ground force task is levied upon them.
3. The Basic Reports Division (DIAAP-9D), headed by []
[] has done basic ground force analysis in several parts of China. Their work in the Kunming MR however, covers only the major installations and no additional work for this area is planned. Where available, IAS will use these BIRs in the Kunming study and provide an additional mission-by-mission chronology of installation development. IAS will also perform the detailed building mensuration which

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4. It would appear that DIAAP-9B and D have the resources to do additional work on Chinese ground forces. Since neither is planning additional work in the Kunming MR in the immediate future, some of these assets might well be used against other military regions of priority interest to OSR. These shops require tasking via proper channels in order to respond however, so all attempts to get them into the desired production scheme should be directed through the DIA-COMIREX mechanism.



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